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SUBJECT: THE PS/PSD DIALOGUE CONTINUES

1. SUMMARY: PSD LEADER SA CARNEIRO AND PRIME MINISTER SOARES MET JULY 26 TO DISCUSS ITEMS, PRIMARILY ECONOMIC, STILL BEFORE THE ASSEMBLY. THERE ARE STILL POINTS OF DIS-AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES--SPECIFICALLY ON THE GOVERNMENT'S MEDIUM-TERM ECONOMIC PLAN--BUT THEY ARE NOT LIKELY TO BE INSURMOUNTABLE. END SUMMARY.

2. SOARES AND SA CARNEIRO CONTINUE PS/PSD DIALOGUE: A SA CARNEIRO-LED PSD DELEGATION MET WITH PRIME MINISTER SOARES JULY 26 TO DISCUSS ITEMS STILL BEFORE THE ASSEMBLY. THE TALKS FOCUSED ON THE MEDIUM-TERM ECONOMIC PLAN, INDEMNIFI-CATIONS, AND FOREIGN LOANS. MINISTER-WITHOUT-PORTFOLIO CAMPINOS, PLANNING MINISTER SOUSA GOMES, AND PSD ECONOMIC EXPERT SOUSA FRANCO MET WITH THE PARTY LEADERS AND THEN LATER FOR A WORKING SESSION TO HAMMER OUT THE DETAILS. SOME DIFFERENCES REMAIN, PARTICULARLY ON THE MEDIUM-TERM ECONOMIC PLAN, BUT SHOULD NOT BE INSURMOUNTABLE.

3. CDS REACTION TO "CONVERGENCE": IN A MOVE CALCULATED TO DISTANCE HIS PARTY FROM THE RECENT PS/PSD UNDERSTANDING,
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CDS LEADER AMARAL DEMANDED THAT PSD DEPUTY SERVULO CORREIA'S COMMENTS, COMPARING THE CDS POSITION ON THE AGRARIAN REFORM VOTE TO THE POSITION OF THE PCP, BE CLARIFIED. AMARAL EMPHASIZED THAT THERE COULD BE NO FUNDAMENTAL SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEMS FACING PORTUGAL WITHOUT THE COOPERATION OF THE PS, THE PSD, AND THE CDS.

4. DEFENSE MINISTER TO PURSUE MILITARY CAREER? DEFENSE MINISTER COLONEL FIRMINO MIGUEL HAS WRITTEN TO THE ARMY STAFF REQUESTING TRANSFER TO A MILITARY COMMAND TO FULFILL HIS REQUIREMENTS FOR PROMOTION TO BRIGADIER GENERAL. IN THE FACE OF CONTINUING SPECULATION THAT MIGUEL WILL BECOME VICE PRIME MINISTER IN A NEW GOVERNMENT, MIGUEL'S CONVENIENTLY-TIMED REQUEST FOR TRANSFER LENDS CREDIBILITY TO SOARES'S DENIALS THAT A CABINET RESHUFFLE IS LIKELY DURING THE ASSEMBLY RECESS. PS INSIDERS HAVE TOLD US THAT SOARES DOES PLAN CABINET CHANGES IN THE FALL.

5. COMMENT: THE SA CARNEIRO-SOARES MEETING AND THE SUBSEQUENT WORKING SESSION REPRESENT THE LOGICAL EXTENSION OF THE PS/PSD CONSULTATIVE AGREEMENT. SA CARNEIRO'S PRESENCE AS THE HEAD OF THE PSD DELEGATION IS--AS IT WAS PROBABLY INTENDED--A POINTED REMINDER THAT HE IS STILL VERY MUCH IN CHARGE OF THE PSD.
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